PLANT FACT SHEET

Premna tomentosa Willd.

GENUS *Premna* **FAMILY** Lamiaceae

COMMON NAMES Woolly-leaved fire tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Vegetable

The young leaves are cooked and eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It loses its leaves during the year. It grows 4-6 m tall. The bark is grey and smooth. The leaves are simple and opposite. The leaf stalk is 2-5 cm long. The leaf blade is 6-25 cm long by 5-15 cm wide. They have a white coating underneath. The flowers are small and yellow. The fruit is small and black and 5-6 mm long. There are 4 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in dry evergreen and dry deciduous forests. It grows up to 1,400 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from root suckers. It can be grown by seed. It can be grown from cuttings.

NOTES

Also put in the family Verbenaceae.

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